

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U. S. Patent No. 7,272,612, issued September 18, 2007

Applicants: John D. BIRDWELL, et al. Confirmation No. 6101  
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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION – APPLICANT ERROR**  
**PURSUANT TO RULE 323**

ATTN: Certificate of Corrections Branch  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby request that the Office issue a Certificate of Correction in substantial conformity to an attached Certificate of Correction prepared by the undersigned counsel in US Patent No. 7,272,612 (the '612 patent) issued September 18, 2007. Applicants have discovered a typographical error in conformity with the NIST web site: [www.cstl.nist.gov/strbase/fbicore.htm](http://www.cstl.nist.gov/strbase/fbicore.htm) where the thirteen core loci utilized by the Federal Bureau of Investigation are identified. The proper identifier for a d13s locus for one of the thirteen Federal Bureau of Investigation core loci should be changed from d13s17 to read d13s317. Consequently, all instances of d13s17 in the '612 patent should be corrected to read d13s317. In view of the above and the attachments hereto, Applicants submit that the typographical errors in the '612 patent may be considered the error of the Applicants. The identification of the d13s317 locus among the core FBI loci is

documented by Budowle, B. *et al.*, "Genotype Profiles for Six PopulationGroups at the 13 CODIS Short Tandem Repeat Core Loci and Other PCR Based Loci," Forensic Science Communications, July 1999, Vol. 1, No. 2, an approximately contemporaneous document with the present application which claims priority to provisional application USSN 60/156,452 filed September 28, 1999. This article announces the FBI's selection of D13S317 as one of 13 CODIS core loci.

A fee of \$100 is believed due for this request pursuant to Rule 20(a).

Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss this request with the undersigned attorney of record, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Attachments: Certificate of Correction – 2 pages

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